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The identities of members of the National Committee of the YSA, although available, are not set out in this report. This action was taken inasmuch as this information has been disseminated to pertinent offices and set forth in reports concerning these individuals and various YSA locals. It is felt that to restate these identities herein would serve no useful purpose and, in addition, would entail characterizations involving additional characterizations of many SWP locals throughout the United States. (4)

Characterizations of individuals/and organizations are set forth in the Appendix section in all instances wherein characterizations are available. (4)

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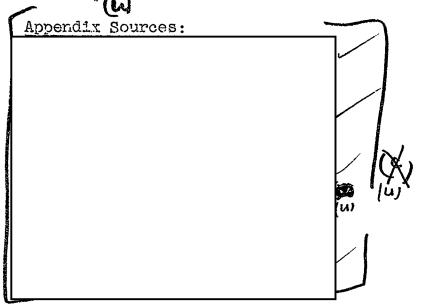
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Synopsis:

Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) National and New York Local headquarters located at 10 East 23rd St., NYC: National membership reported between 185 - 190 with approximately 33 members in NYC. YSA aspires nationally to support Cuban Revolution and the creation of youth committees to support recently formed Committee to Aid the Monroe Defendants. TIM WOHLFORTH, National Chairman, has led a faction of SWP members within YSA resulting in deep split in YSA national leadership. Rift result of opposition by WOHLFORTH faction to Majority SWP analysis of Cuba as a workers state. WOHLFORTH faction constitutes majority position within YSA. Following extensive written and oral expressions by both positions SWP has established firmer control of YSA thru policy set at SWP National Convention held 6/61. WOHLFORTH faction, although defeated at SWP National Convention, has support of leading British Trotskyist and strives toward eventual recognition as orthodox Trotskyist group within US. WOHLFORTH and followers tendered resignations from YSA positions u) (X

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of leadership due to SWP refutation however have returned to original leadership positions to carry on struggle for their position.

Majority SWP exponents currently in control of YSA. Activities of New York Local,

YSA expressed by forums, classes and campus activity set forth. Domination and control of YSA by national leaders of SWP reviewed.

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All individuals /organizations designated by an asterisk (*) upon original mention, are characterized in this order in the Appendix section of this report (U)

The Socialist Workers Party (SWP), mentioned throughout this report, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450 (4)

I. LOCATION

The headquarters of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) is located at 10 East 23rd Street, New York, New York. (%)

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II. SCOPE OF ORGANIZATION

A. National Structure and Officers ()

The National Committee (NC) is the ruling body of the YSA in between conventions. The National Executive Committee (NEC) of the NC acts in the name of the NC. The NEC members meet and decide policy for the national organization approximately every two weeks and on occasions more frequently. The NC of

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the YSA is comprised of the regular voting members, including members of the NEC together with alternate members and a representative of the Political Committee (PC) of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The PC representative of the SWP has full voting rights on the NEC of the YSA and is the SWP representative to the YSA.(K)(u)

of the SWP. (%)(a)

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The minutes of the YSA National Committee Plenum held on June 26, 1961, disclosed that at this plenum session, eight members of the YSA, NEC existed together with two additional members to be added "from the field" at a future date. (4)

(NY T-2, August 11, 1961)

The National Chairman of the YSA is TIM WOHLFORTH*. SHERRY FINER* is National Executive

The NEC of the YSA usually meets at the residence of TIM WOHLFORTH, New York City WARTHA WOHLFORTH IS employed on a full-time basis handling national YSA correspondence and finances.

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B. Membership Information

During May, 1961, a list pertaining to YSA membership on a national basis, broken down into SWP and non-SWP members, was maintained by the Organizer of the New York Local (NYL), SWP.*

The above list disclosed the total YSA membership, including Canada, as 167 members. This total was broken down into 145 United States members and 22 Canadian members.

The above list further disclosed 69 SWP members in the United States and 76 non-SWP members in the United States. The Canadian total disclosed 8 SWP members within the YSA and 14 YSA members who were not SWP members. The above list further disclosed that there were six additional YSA members at large who were also members of the SWP.

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During June, 1961, a document pertaining to national YSA membership was maintained in the office of the National Secretary of the SWP. This document contained the heading, "REAL, BOOK MEMBERSHIP (as — complied in March — May, 1961)." This listing disclosed a total national YSA membership of 165 members of which 88 were members of the SWP. Notations following the above listing disclosed that this listing was a little out of date and that an estimated five to ten additional YSA members existed.

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The national YSA has a membership of between 185 to 190 individuals, about 60 per cent of whom are members of the SWP.

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C. Affiliates

The Summer, 1961 issue of "The Young Socialist" (YS) described in the masthead as the "Official organ of the Young Socialist Alliance", contained on Page 8 the following:

"YSA LOCALS

"BATATMORE: C/O	
BERKELEY - OAKLAND: c/o	
"BOSTON: c/o Boston Labor Forum	
"CHICAGO c/o	14)
"DETROIT: 3737 Woodward.	(~/
"LOS ANGELES:	
"MILWAUKEE: C/O	
"NEW YORK CITY:	
"PROVIDENCE: c/o "PHILADELPHIA:	
"SAN FRANCISCO: C/Ol	
"SEATTLE-C/O	
"TWIN CITIES:	
"TORONTO:	
"VANCOUVER:	



D: Aims and Objectives

A flyer published by the YSA during April, 1961, entitled, "What Is The YSA?", set forth that the YSA was a nation-wide socialist youth organization with local clubs in 17 areas and individual members located on campuses in several other areas. This flyer contained the following statement:

"The YSA educates its members and the general public through leaflets, the Young Socialist monthly newspaper and a series of educational pamphlets, public meetings and classes. YSA members participate energetically in the defense of the Cuban Revolution, demonstrations against ROTC and the House Un-American Activities Committee; work in civil rights groups; and engage in other protests wherever they arise."

The above flyer further states that the YSA issues political statements after thorough discussion by its members and stands for"(1) A labor party based on the youth movement; (2) unconditional backing of the fight for full equality by the Negro people and other minorities; (3) militant opposition to the entire witch hunt; (4) support to the colonial peoples struggles for freedom and independence; (5) support to the struggles for workers' democracy in the Soviet Union and the people's republics, such as the Polish and Hungarian workers' revolutions; opposition to attempts of imperialism to re-establish domination over this section of the world; (6) against further nuclear tests and the buildup of the U.S. war machine."



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The flyer states that "support to the above points necessitates a complete and immediate break with the Democratic and Republican Parties."

(NY T-1, April 14, 1961) (X/u)

A YSA flyer published during May, 1961, entitled, "Kennedy Threatens Us With War", states that the CASTRO Government in Cuba has reiterated its desire time and time again to live peacefully with its powerful neighbor to the North. It states that the United States Government has refused to contend with this statement and in the face, of overwhelming support of the CASTRO Government by the Cuban people, has branded CASTRO a dictator and menace and launched an invasion of Cuba. (W)

The above flyer relates that the American imperialist governments losses in Cuba represent only a minute fraction of its holdings in Latin America and the threat of the Cuban Revolution is driving the United States capitalists toward a war in Cuba in hope of salvaging those vested interests which are endangered throughout Latin America and the rest of the colonial world. The flyer states that "the YSA believes that the only way to end the insane war preparations - the only way to prevent war, is to end that system which strives on such a degenerated basis. To struggle against war, one must struggle against capitalism and for socialism, against the system of profit and for the system of collective ownership of our country and the world, and for the democratic utilization of that wealth for the common good."(u

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E. "The Young Socialist"

a. Headquarters

The headquarters of The Young Socialist (YS), the official organ of the YSA, is 10 East 23rd Street, New York City. The mailing address of the YS is Post Office Box 471, Cooper Station, New York City. The YSA national office pays the utilities of the office at 10 East 23rd Street, New York City, as its share of the upkeep of this office.

(NY T-1, October 5, 1961) (*Yu)

b. Staff

The Summer, 1961 issue of the YS sets forth - the following individual staff members of this publication:

Editor

NORA ROBERTS*

Editorial Board

MARTHA WOHLFORTH NORA ROBERTS TIM WOHLFORTH

The minutes of the YSA, NEC meeting held on September 19, 1961, disclosed that BARRY SHEPPARD* was elected Business Manager and Fund Director of the YS at this meeting.

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c. Finances and Circulation

A document entitled, "Young Socialist - Comparative Operating Statistics and Budget", dated June 17, 1961, disclosed a total of real receipts during the first five months of 1961 as \$3,720.48. This listing further set forth under real disbursements a total for the first five months of 1961 as \$3,443.70.(%)(u)

The above financial breakdown pertaining to receipts includes the amount of \$573.50 realized from subscriptions and sales of the publication YS.

(NY T-1, October 5, 1961) (k)(u)

F. Factionalism

During June, 1961, a document entitled,
"Statement of NEC Minority", was maintained by the
Organizer of the NYL, SWP. This document stated
that the factional struggle which has torn apart the
NEC of the YSA is of a political nature centering on
the Cuban question. It relates that the position of
the NEC Majority is that Cuba cannot be called a
workers' state because there exists no guarantees
that the revolution will not be turned back. This
minority document states that the Majority position
runs counter to the Marxist view of a state as a
weapon in the hands of one class or the other and
states that the Majority's stubborn maintenance of
this position in the face of the magnificent forward
leaps of the Cuban Revolution indicates a fear of
the revolution and an unwillingness to become involved.

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The above YSA Minority statement relates that the YSA Majority views the CASTRO leadership as the greatest internal danger to the revolution and accuses the Majority of being convinced that the revolution will degenerate because of "the petty bourgeois" nature of the CASTRO tendency and the fear of Stalinism. It states that the Majority bases its position on the fear and belief of future degeneration and adds that although the Majority is able to take a position of defense of the revolution (Cuban) against imperialist attack, it is unable to become a partisan of the real revolutionary movement.

This document further states that the Majority's Stalinophobic absentionism has nothing in common with the attitude of revolutionary socialists and of Trotskyists toward an unfolding socialist revolution. (4)

The document further relates that the position of the YSA NEC Majority concerning the direction of the YSA is a line which ignores the impact which the Cuban revolution has made on this generation of newly radicalized youth.

This Minority YSA document states that the Cuban revolution, with its developing revolutionary socialist program, has brought an important new development to the American campus. It states that the YSA must be prepared to intervene in this new situation to the best of its ability and have a paper which can appeal to these new student elements. It adds that the YSA must be able to function on the basis of a line which enables the YSA to participate in an important process with these young people, in a line which ignores both the new level of

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consciousness of these elements and the importance of the Cuban revolution itself.

(NY T-2, June 6, 1961) (X) (W)

Since the YSA National Plenum which followed the SWP National Convention held in June, 1961, there has been a deep split in the leadership of the YSA. TIM WOHLFORTH led an SWP minority position on the question of the Cuban revolution at the SWP convention and was elected, on the strength of that minority leadership, to full membership in the Political Committee of the SWP.

Almost the entire strength of the SWP minority group consisted of SWP members who were in the YSA where WOHLFORTH's position on Cuba constituted a majority in the YSA leadership. This situation existed prior to the SWP convention and had split the NEC of the YSA for many months on a factional basis which was carried on by WOHLFORTH's faction by the strength of its majority on the NEC of the YSA. (XYU)

The SWP decided to intervene to end the wrangling and to wrest control of the leadership of the YSA from the WOHLFORTH faction. The first move of the SWP in this direction was to pass a motion at the SWP National Convention limiting the YSA membership to those individuals under 27 years, thus dropping automatically at the SWP convention two individuals included in WOHLFORTH's faction in the YSA. The SWP further put the whole question of YSA - SWP relations; under a youth commission at this convention which consisted of top SWP leaders

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and one or two of the YSA leaders. The SWP convention also decided to replace the two YSA leaders removed because of age with two individuals from the field to sit on the YSA NEC in New York. The first SWP choice for the YSA NEC from the field was objected to by WOHLFORTH on the grounds that this individual was partisan to the YSA minority grouping and that his acceptance alone would upset the balance of the YSA NEC in favor of the minority.

WOHLFORTH also contended that the SWP had assured him at the SWP convention that there was not going to be an attempt to upset the present YSAP leadership. WOHLFORTH proposed instead a package deal in which the original SWP nominee to the YSA NEC together with an individual included in the WOHLFORTH faction be admitted to the NEC of the YSA as the two new comrades from the field. This proposal infuriated both the minority of the YSA together with the SWP resulting in this issue being brought under a poll of all YSA NC members throughout the country.

The poll of YSA NC members rejected WOHLFORTH's position and supported the admission of the SWP nominee alone to the NEC of the YSA.

The source advised that hencewith the vote of the current SWP Political Committee representative to the YSA NEC together with the admission of the SWP's nominee to the YSA NEC, the leadership of the YSA has been taken from WOHLFORTH and now is in control of the SWP.

The source noted that during the argumentation on the differing positions WOHLFORTH maintained that he was fighting for the principle that had (u)



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been passed and agreed upon by the YSA and the SWP, i. e. organizational dependence of the YSA from the SWP while maintaining complete political dependence and solidarity, in the Marxist - Leninist tradition of youth movements. By organizational dependence, WOHLFORTH meant the right of the YSA to choose its own officers and be free from dictation by the SWP. WOHLFORTH charged that the SWP wanted nothing less than a front group and desired to hold the YSA in receivership.

The source stated that the key to the outcome in the YSA factional struggle was the polit of the NC members of the YSA. SWP leaders JAMES CANNON* and FARRELL DOBBS* put pressure on the NC members to vote against WCHLFORTH. CANNON called a meeting of the Bay area YSA leaders in San Francisco and threatened them with expulsion from the SWP if they supported WCHLFORTH in the NC poll. CANNON charged WCHLFORTH and his followers with being undisciplined and anti-SWP and stated that he would expel them no matter what the scandal to the SWP.

According to the source, WOHLFORTH's next move was to offer his resignation as YSA Chairman together with the resignations of his followers on the YSA NEC, MARTHA WOHLFORTH and SHANE MAGE. WOHLFORTH did this at a meeting of the Political Committee of the SWP because at a previous PC meeting, the PC of the SWP would not give him and his followers a vote of confidence as to their discipline and loyalty to the SWP.

These resignations became defacto and these three individuals did not attend further meetings of the YSA NEC and the YSA was without a National Chairman. The resignations, however, were not really in force



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and did not become & Jure until they had been approved by the PC of the SWP. After a period of two weeks, the PC of the SWP refused to accept these resignations and referred the whole question to the SWP Youth Commission which was in effect trying to bury the problem. This action by the party was taken by WOHLFORTH as a reaffirmation of his loyalty and a reputiation of the charge by JAMES CANNON.

The outcome was that WOHLFORTH as National Chairman, MARTHA WOHLFORTH and MAGE returned to the NEC of the YSA, however, they have lost control of the national leadership of the YSA.

WOHLFORTH's faction has decided that they must carry on the struggle in the YSA locals especially in the large locals like New York where they have a majority. WOHLFORTH is in communication with JERRY HEALY, who is leading a powerful faction in the International Committee of the 4th International* and is in sympathy with the views held by WOHLFORTH's faction. WOHLFORTH hopes to build his faction in the United States through the YSA and the party. WOHLFORTH feels that if there is an SWP split, he will therefore be able to bring out a maximum number of comrades with WOHLFORTH additionally feels that if the International Committee of the 4th International can be brought to condemn the SWP policies on the world question, then WOHLFORTH and his followers will be proclaimed the legitimate Trotskyists.

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G. Activities

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An Appendix attached to the NEC meeting minutes of the meeting held April 18, 1961, pertained to a YSA national tour. This report disclosed that this YSA national tour, held during the spring of 1961, was planned mainly as a YSA building tour and for the purpose of consulting with the local YSA units regarding their work. This document states that YSA members in virtually every area in the United States were involved at this time in work in support of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC), and in some instances, YSA locals in some areas had suffered in regard to unit functioning due to this FPCC work.

This report states that the FPCC work within the YSA was a major activity and a major source of recruitment to the YSA. (4)

(NY T-3, May 5, 1961) (u)

At a meeting of the NEC of the YSA held May 22, 1961, in New York City, it was decided that the YSA would enter into the current anti-segregation issue in relation to the "Freedom Ride".

Source advised that the YSA as a result of this meeting had sent instructions to all locals throughout the United States to immediately initiate demonstrations and picketing of a militant nature on inter-state bus terminals at respective areas. These demonstrations would be in support of the "Freedom Ride".

It was the YSA's purpose, according to this source, to transform this issue into a militant anti-segregation action on the part of the high school and college youth throughout the country.

The source added that the YSA desired militant demonstrations to be participated in by all radical youth under the YSA banner. According to the source, violence in this action was not advocated by the YSA, however, condoned if it occurred.





The source added that the YSA would attempt to activate FPCC youth councils throughout the United States and also participate in these YSA actions, in order to numerically strengthen the demonstrations and allow these youth councils to also support these anti-segregation actions.

(NY T-1, May 24, 1961) (W

During August, 1961, a document entitled "Recort on Activities in Defense of the Cuban Revolution" dated June 26, 1961, was maintained in the office of the National Secretary of the SWP.

The above document was written by the YSA National Secretary and disclosed that the November, 1960 YSA National plenum set as its primary political task work in the defense of the Cuban revolution. Since that time the YSA had focused its main energy and activity on this task and every single YSA unit in the United States, the YSA press and YSA educational pamphlets together with a national tour had been engaged to the hilt in defense of the Cuban revolution.

The above document further relates that in many respects the Cuban revolution can be seen as a revolution of "our generation". It relates that Cuba can be seen as "our revolution" and American youth can directly identify with it.

The document states that in addition to public FPCC activity, the YSA has participated with others in the organization of local and student FPCC chapters, selling literature, and contributing to the day to day work of keeping the national and local offices functioning. It states that the YSA had been largely responsible for the organization of many FPCC student councils and activities. It further states that the integration movement in this country is on the upgrade and that there is a logical connection between fighters for equality and defenders of the Cuban revolution.

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It relates that the YSA work in both these spheres of activity is of great importance and although Cuba continues to be a prime YSA task, each local should assign one comrade to remain active in the local integration organization.

This document relates that probably the most encouraging and healthy element on the Amarican scene today is a continually growing number of new elements moved to militant action by the Cuban revolution.

The document concludes by stating that the primary task of the YSA remains the defense of the Cuban revolution. It states that the YSA defense of this revolution has presented the opportunity to spotlight the YSA's continuing struggles for civil rights, civil liberties, against unemployment and anti-war activities in the lessons of the Cuban revolution.

(NY T-3, August 11, 1961)

The source made available a YSA document entitled "Report on the Monroe Situation and the Robert Williams Case". This document disclosed that YSA members in New York had already begun preparations to set up a Youth Committee to Aid the Monroe Defendants. This committee, according to this report would act in connection with the "Committee to Aid the Monroe Defendants (CAMD)"*.

The above document alludes to the importance of YSA participation in the activities of the CAMD in the form of youth committees which activity would identify the YSA with the struggle for racial equality in the South and in addition, use these youth committees as a political forum with the YSA.

Under the heading of "Strategy", the above document states that YSA locals throughout the United States should use sponsor cards to be distributed to various individuals throughout the country, which cards could be used by the National Office of the YSA as a means

to consolidate the local groups and also build a membership organization at a later date. it states that YSA locals must utilize its national apparatus to make inroads into student groups who give support some to youth councils of the CAMD. Also set out under this heading a finel YSA objective, ie. to organize a militant civil rights organization of the "left". It states that the objective situation makes this action possible and that the politics of the YSA makes it imperative.

Under the heading of "Tactics", the above document states that the first and foremost tactic of the YSA in regard to youth committees of the CAMD is money for the legal defense of ROBERT WILLIAMS*and for other youth in Monroe, North Carolina. Secondly, it states that the YSA should start a campaign on the campuses to collect food and clothing for the citizens of Monroe, Carolina, who have been deprived of relief and unemployment benefits due to their support of ROBERT Under this heading the document further states that the YSA should afford a forum to the North Carolina community, for its tactics and militant leadership, and in addition, possibly in the future, initiate a "go see for yourself" campaign. This question, according to the document may develop into a question of whether or not radicals have the "right to travel" not just to Cuba, but within the United States. (KVu)

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III. INTERNATICUAL CONNECTIONS (W)(u)

The minutes of the YSA, NEC meeting held April 18, 1961, contained an appendix pertaining to a recent national tour made by a YSA comrade. This areas in relation to YSA activities. (Yu) appendix set forth the results and situations in various



Under the heading of "Vancouver", information was set out relating to the Vancouver Branch of "CCF Youth". This information related that the YSA had thirteen book members" in Vancouver. The report related that the YSA local at Vancouver was different from YSA locals elsewhere inasmuch as the "level" of the youths in this area was lower than in most places in the United States and that they had not yet really become organized. The report added however, that this unit was enthusiastically ordering YSA decussion bulletins and had paid its entire YSA fund drive quota.

tendency On June 29, 1961, a meeting of the YSA headed by WOHLFORTH was held at New York City, the residence of WOHLFORTH. meeting was held to assess the effects of the SWP decisions made against the WOHLFORTH faction at the recent SWP National Convention. At this meeting WOHLFORTH sated that while the YSA had been dealt a great blow and the tendency had been soundly defeated at the SWP convention, nonetheless, great gains were made. WOHLFORTH related that he had been in contact with JERRY HEALY in Great Britain who was the mentor for the WOHLFORTH group and that HEALY would be visiting Trotskyists leaders in Japan where the tendency among the orthodox Trotskyists was growing. WOHLFORTH related that HEALY expects to have WOHLFORTH visit Great Britain in the fall and that more plans would be made in the future. WOHLFORTH added that members of his tendency should not be disheartened because the international Trotskyist movement supports their views over that of the SWP in the United States, and that their views represent orthodox Trotskyism. (*)(u)

> IV. YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE -NEW YORK LOCAL

A. Location

The headquarters of the New York Local YSA is located at 10 East 23rd Street, New York City.

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B. Officers

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Chairman: Treasurer: Literature Director Educational Director Secretary: Social Director:	FRED MAZELIS *- SYLVIA REUBENS * SHIRLEY STOUTE * LYNNE HARPES * ROSEVJERSAVITZ *	(%) (u) b6 b7
The above individu comprise the Executive	als together with NORA committee of the YSA.	(Yu)
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A YSA document entitled "Area Reports - NC Plenum, June 26, 1961", contained information relating that the net recruitment to the New York Local YSA since April, 1960, had been eight members. These individuals had been recruited through various activities of the New York Local YSA.

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D. Finances

During July, 1961, source made available a financial report of the NYL, YSA dated August, 1961. This report covered the period of September, 1960 through June, 1961. The total income received from all sources during the period amounted to \$1,948.56. In addition this report disclosed that the NYL, YSA as of June, 1961, was owed \$116.50 for dues and sustainers. The report disclosed an average per month income of \$50.00 from dues and an average per month expenses of \$100.00.

The above report further disclosed disbursements by the NYL, YSA of \$1,969.15. This report further set out that the NYL, YSA through June, 1961 owed \$110.50.

(NY T-1, July 13, 1961) (v)

The NYL, YSA has an income from dues, sustainers and money from forums, literature sales and socials of about \$110.00 per month on an average basis. The NYL, YSA conducts two fund drives per year in which its members who are in the SWP split their contributions between the SWP and YSA on a fifty-fifty basis. In addition the NYL, YSA has pledged to raise \$400.00 extra from youth sources and sympathizers for the SWP fund drive. (XYU)

(NY T-1, October 5, 1961)(x(u)

E. Activities

Source made available a YSA flyer entitled, "A Spring Forum Series". This flyer disclosed that the YSA would hold the following forums:

April 14, 1961 - "The World In Revolution" - "The Impact of Cuba on Latin America!"



April 22, 1961 - "To the Brink" - "To cure the 'Recession', or curb 'Aggression'? - or just preparing another Summit?"

April 29, 1961 - "Workers of the World Unite! Solidarity: Forward!"(u)

May 5, 1951 - "Imperialism Causes Revolutions - and Communism gets all the Credit" - "Y A N Q U I IMPERIALISM Myth or Reality?"

The above flyer disclosed that the YSA forums would be held at the headquarters of the NYL, YSA, 10 East 23rd Street, New York City.(4)

(NY T-4, April 14, 1961)(u)

Source made available a throwaway consisting of an invitation to celebrate May Day and to hear what "New York Socialist Candidates" had to say about Cuba. The SWP candidate for Mayor together with an individual from the YSA and other individuals were listed as speakers at this event. The throwaway noted that this event was under the auspices of the NYL, SWP and the NYL, YSA. (4)

(NY T-5, May 4, 1961) (K)(u)

The document entitled "Area Reports - NC Plenum June 26, 1961" mentioned above, contained the following information pertaining to the NYL, YSA. This document related that the NYL, YSA held forums at its headquarters usually each week, with an average attendance of 20 individuals and attendance range of 14 to 45 individuals. It related that the YSA was actively engaged in five picket lines and marches, at which time it distributed leaflets and its publication the YS.

The above document further stated that the NYL,

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YSA has eight members on campuses and that its perspective for campus work in the Fall, 1961 was to coalesce a citywide FPCC Student Council in which non-students could participate. It relates that the YSA will also be active in campaigning for the SWP Mayoralty candidate, in order to place this candidate and other SWP candidates on the ballot.

The document further states that eight to ten members of the NYL, YSA, about one third of the membership, were totally involved in national YSA work. In addition, the vast bulk of bulletins and other YSA mailings fall upon the members active in the NYL.

(NY T-1, July 10, 1961)(X)(u)

At a meeting of the NYL, SWP held August 17, 1961, it was disclosed that the NYL, YSA would hold a public forum during September, 1961. It was reported that the proceeds of this forum would be forwarded by the YSA to ROBERT F. WILLIAMS and his supporters in Monroe, North Carolina, to be utilized partly for the purchase of guns.

(NY T-1, August 24, 1961) (x) (u)

It was announced at a meeting of the NYL, SWP held August 3, 1961, that the NYL, YSA was making extensive plans for placing the SWP candidates in New York City on various campuses, both college and high school, throughout the city for the purpose of making speeches. It was further disclosed that the NYL, YSA had pledged 5000 of the 15,000 signature goal to place the SWP candidates in New York City on the ballot. (**)(u)

(NY T-1, August 6, 1961) (u)

On August 18, 1961, a forum was held at 116 (u)

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University Place, New York City, under the auspices of the Militant Labor Forum* and the YSA. This forum presented a speaker on the topic "Draft Program of the CP of the Soviet Union".

(NY T-6, August 21, 1961)

An attachment to the minutes of the NEC meeting of the YSA held on September 19, 1961, disclosed that the NYL, YSA has already set up a meeting at City College of New York in an attempt to initiate a Youth Committee to Aid the Monroe Lefendants. This attachment further disclosed that the NYL, YSA intends to approach high school and college students who worked closely with the YSA during previous integration movements and attempt to sign up as many of these individuals as possible as sponsors of these youth committees. (X) (NY T-1, October 5, 1961)

V. SUBVERSIVE CONNECTIONS AND INFLUENCES

A. Domination and Support by the SWP

During April, 1961, source made available the minutes of the Political Committee meeting of the SWP held April 12, 1961. Under the heading of Youth in these minutes, information was set forth disclosing that a member of the PC, SWP had been unable to attend the March 29, 1961 meeting of the PC, at which time a motion was presented concerning the controversy This individual the youth group over the Cuban question. PC member criticized at this meeting the questions raised at the previous meeting and termed them arbitrary. stated that comrades in the YSA should not be discouraged from discussing and interpreting the current Cuban state and attempting to win a majority to their point of view. This individual went on to point out that the SWP was not solely concerned with formulating theory, and program, but

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was engaged in action, that it was a "combat party" and that the same should hold for the youth. He concluded that both as a means of assuring the YSA correctly ends the dispute over the Cuban policy and as a means of attracting new members, the YSA should be allowed to independently reach a decision on the Cuban question. (4)

At the above meeting of the PC another member accused the SWP of having a paternalistic attitude for the youth group, which was contrary to the comparison of Party-Youth relations in effect heretofore. This individual concluded that the action outlined by the political committee would not facilitate building a youth movement, but would rather mean that the YSA would be reduced to a youth branch of the SWP.

(NY T-3, April 18, 1961) (x) u)

During April, 1961, a letter written to the National Secretary of the SWP was maintained in the Office of the National Secretary of the SWP. The contents of this letter disclosed that it was written by TOW KERRY* and pertained to the youth situation in the San Francisco, California area. This letter accused the YSA comrade who had made the Spring National YSA tour of attempting to line up the whole west coast on behalf of the SWP minority position on the Cuban question. KERRY accused this individual of being a "factional hooligan" and stated that he was convinced with the present leadership of the SWP youth, there could not be a youth movement built. (4)

KERRY concluded in the above letter by stating he would favor dissolving the youth group into authentic youth committees and cease pretending the SWP had a "youth movement". He stated that the money being spent subsidizing the youth could be better devoted to expanding the SWP publication. (14)

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Source made available a letter sent by

JAMES P. CANNON dated May 24, 1961, to members of the

PC of the SWP. In this letter CANNON wrote that
in regard to handling the youth question in the SWP
it appeared to him that the PC was getting bogged down
disputing the formal aspects rather than approaching
the concrete issues involved in the dispute. CANNON
said that the real problem lay in the youth headquarters in
New York, and on the Editorial Staff of the youth publication.
CANNON pointed out that the youth national leaders were
all also members of the SWP and that the real issue,
therefore, involved the Party retaining control over
its members.

CANNON further stated that when a few years ago the SWP agreed to collaborate with a group of dissidents from the Shachtmanite youth organization in setting up a broad independent youth formation, this was meant as a temporary expedient to facilitate collaboration. He said that this resulted in a good deal of confusion and disruption with the spectacle in Los Angeles of Party members fighting each other in the youth club to the benefit of outright political opponents.

According to CANNON, this resulted in demoralization and disruption and undermined the concept of Party discipline. CANNON said that at the time of the 1959 Plenum, the Party had had enough and it was decided that it would be necessary to place all Party members under Party discipline at the impending youth convention.

CANNON then quoted the SWP constitution which set forth that decisions of the governing bodies of the Party were binding upon the members and subordinate bodies of the Party. CANNON claimed that this rule should be invoked on all Party members working in the youth organization or any other organization without

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exception.

CANNON wrote further however that even if this problem of Party-youth relations were solved, the problem of a youth organization in this country was still facing the SWP. CANNON then quoted LENIN on the amount of independence to be given a youth organization at various times in its development, but concluded that the problems of relations between the Party and its youth had never been solved completely and it was probable that more experimenting was necessary to find an ideal solution. (A)

CANNON concluded with his opinion emphasizing that it was absurd to think that an independent youth movement signified that Party members were independent of the Party.

(NY T-3, June 6, 1961) (ω)

At the June 25, 1961 session of the SWP National Convention, the youth report was presented, which contained motions pertaining to Party youth passed at the pre-convention plenum of the SWP. These motions entailed the following:

- (1) All Party decisions are binding on all members, which means that youth, who are Party members must obey SWP decisions.
- (2) The SWP will be present at a meeting of the YSA, NEC with voice and vote and a YSA official would meet with the SWP National Committee with voice and vote.
- (3) A age limit of 27 years for SWP members in the YSA, except in special instances. Removal of SWP members over that age in the YSA would begin on a gradual basis.

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- (4) Two SWP members would be removed from the NEC of the YSA and be assigned full SWP duties.
- (5) SWP National Committee would study youth work and recommend activities for youth.

The above motion was passed unanimously at this session of the convention.

(NY T-7, June 28, 1961) (M)

Source advised that at the June 24, 1961 session of the SWP National Convention TIM WOHLFORTH challenged a motion previously made in the interest of economy to cease publication of the publication "The Young Socialist". WOHLFORTH stated that he was against dropping the YS because it had been responsible for bringing new members into the YSA, which he stated was the organization which furnishes the young people for the SWP. Wh

(NY T-8, June 28, 1961) (NY T-8, June 28, 1961)

During July, 1961, a letter was maintained by the National Secretary of the SWP concerning NC members and alternates of the YSA, who were in the SWP. This letter disclosed that 22 members and alternates were members of the Party from outside the New York area and that 12 members and alternates from New York City were members of the SWP.

(NY T-3, July 14, 1961)

At a recent meeting of the PC of the SWP it was decided to allow the Cuban question and the question of youth-Party relations to be discussed at the forthcoming National Convention of the YSA. Source stated that Cuba and the youth-Party relations will be on the pre-convention

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discussion in the YSA nationally and will be on the agenda on the forthcoming YSA convention, scheduled to be held December 29, to January 1, 1962, at Chicago, Illinois.

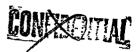
Source stated that the above SWP decision resulted from a complicated maneuver by CARL FEINGOLD* and a member of the PC of the SWP. Source advised that FEINGOLD was moving for just the opposite outcome, but was foiled by the absence of two members from the PC at the meeting and because of a split in the SWP on the youth question. Source related that two SWP leaders decided that WOHLFORTH and his followers could be crushed more decisively by an open discussion on the YSA Convention floor then by outright Party silencing. These individuals are confident that the Party can allow a free discussion on Cuba and the Party-youth question by its control of the YSA leadership and by the majority of YSA members being in the SWP. They foresee at least 30 of the 35 delegates of the convention backing the Party as against five for WOHLFORTH. (X (u)

The above source further related that the SWP has been moving members into the YSA to strenghten its position among the ranks in opposition to the WOHLFORTH faction. This has tended to more or less even the membership at this time, with a slight majority in favor of the WOHLFORTH faction in New York City.

CARL FEINGOLD, Organizer of the NYL, SWP is busily engaged in withdrawing as many WOHLFORTH faction. Party members from YSA activities as possible. Source stated that FEINGOLD as organizer has the right to withdraw and reassign any comrade in the SWP who has been assigned to do youth work.

(NY T-1, October 5, 1961)

VI. APPENDIX



A. Individuals

The following individuals are members of the NYL, SWP:

MARTHA WOHLFORTH
SHERRY FINER
NORA ROBERTS
EARRY SHEPPARD
SHANE MAGE
FRED MAZELIS
SYIVIA REUBENS
SHIRLEY STOUTE

LYNNE HARPER
ROSE JERSAWITZ

(NY T-1, September 27, 1961) (U)

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The following individuals were elected to the indicated positions following the June 25, 1961 session of the 19th National Convention of the SWP:

JAMES CANNON - National Chairman, SWP
TOM KERRY - National Organizational Secretary, SWP
FARRELL DOBBS - National Secretary, SWP

(NY T-3, July 14, 1961) ((4)

CARL FEINGOLD and TIM WOHLFORTH were elected to the National Committee of the SWP at the June 25, 1961 session of the 19th National Convention of the SWP.

(NY T-7, June 27, 28, 1961)

A federal warrant was issued on August 28, 1961, at Charlotte, North Carolina; charging ROBERT WILLIAMS with unlawful interstate flight to avoid prosecution for kidnapping.

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B. Organizations

COMMITTEE TO AID THE MONROE DEFENDANTS (CAMD)

A source advised on October 10, 1961, that the CAMD was formed during September, 1961, by the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) in New York City. The SWP originally proposed the formation of this committee during discussions with various left-wing and liberal tendencies and offered a sum of money to initiate activities.

Source stated that the SWP, however, was unsuccessful in forming a committee of various tendencies and proceeded to organize the CAMD and promote its activities under the aegis of the SWP.

The aims of the CAMD, according to the source are to afford financial support and counsel for ROBERT F. WILLIAMS and four other defendants who were involved in a racial incident on August 27, 1961, at Monroe, North Carolina. The SWP hopes to dramatize this incident nationally and internationally through the CAMD and thus attract individuals to SWP aims and principles by playing a leading role in the integration struggle.

The Headquarters of the CAMD are located in Suite 1117, 141 Broadway, New York 6, New York. (u)

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



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FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE (FPCC)

The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contains a full page advertisement captioned, "What Is Really Happening In Cuba," placed by the FPCC. This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York City, listed various sponsors of the Committee and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate "the truth about revolutionary Cuba" to neutralize the distorted American press on Cuban affairs. (U)

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself as one of the organizers of the FPCC. Also, Dr. SANTOS-BUCH identified ROBERT TABER as a co-organizer of the FPCC and said TABER drafted the aforementioned FPCC advertisement. Dr. DANTOS-BUCH further testified that he and TABER obtained \$3,500 from the Cuban Government through the son of Cuba's Foreign Minister, which funds, along with about \$1,100 collected from supporters of the FPCC, paid for the cost of aforementioned advertisement in "The New York Times".(4)

On October 3, 1960, a source advised that the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) in New York had become active in the FPCC, and that SWP members, in an recent FPCC election, had been able to remove several Communist Party members who were on the Executive Board of the FPCC and gain control of the organization. This source asserted that the SWP members believed that they had achieved a great influence in the course of the Cuban revolution through their control of the FPCC.

On February 10, 1961, a second source advised that PHIL BART, National Organizational Secretary and member of the National Committee, CP, USA, had reportedly stated recently that the FPCC had been captured by the Trotskyites, but that the CP had not given up in the FPCC

The SWP and the CP, USA, have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450. (4)

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FOURTH INTERNATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT and INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

According to "The Founding Conference of the Fourth International", published by the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), in January, 1939, the Fourth International was founded in September, 1938, in order to direct and co-ordinate the followers of LEON TROTSKY throughout the world toward the eventual revolutionary overthrow of capitalism. (1)

A source stated on July 5, 1960, that the Fourth International was in 1953, under the leadership of an International Secretariat headed by MICHEL PABLO. Late in the year, JAMES P. CANNON, National Chairman of the SWP, split with PABLO and became a major influence in the leadership of a "new" Trotskyist International, the International Committee. (U)

In "The Militant", a weekly newspaper of the SWP, dated April 5, 1954, FARRELL DOBBS, identified in "The Militant" as National Secretary of the SWP, wrote that the "orthodox" Trotskyites had formed the International Committee with a basic aim. This was stated to be the defense of the Trotskyist program and organization against "Pabloite revisionist-liquidationist attack," and removal of the "Pabloite usurpers" from the central apparatus of the Fourth International in order to carry out a genuine Trotskyist policy.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



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MILITANT LABOR FORUM

A source advised on April 3, 1961, that the Militant Labor Forum was the name given by the New York Local, Socialist Workers Party (NYL, SWP) to open forums it sponsored. (U)

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SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY - NEW YORK LOCAL

A source stated on 8/25/60, that the New York Local of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was formed during January, 1938, in New York City.///

A second source stated on 4/21/61, that the New York Local of the SWP is affiliated with and follows the aims and purposes of the National SWP.(4)

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Reference is made to report of Special Agent Arthur J. Greene, Jr., at New York, dated and captioned as above.

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Re Chicago airtel to Bureau 10/9/61.

The San Francisco Office has no live informants in a position to attend the Young Socialist Alliance National Convention to be held in Chicago in December, 1961.

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SAC, Detroit (100-26273) October 31. Director, FBI (100-427226) - 340 REC- 4 Young socialist alliance INTERNAL SECURITY - SWP. ReDEairtel 10-24-61 indicating that rould probably be able to attend the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) Convention to be held at Chicago, Illinois, 12-12/21-61 and requesting the Bureau to advise whether the services of this informant would be utilized. It is noted the YSA Convention will be held 12-29-61 to 1-1-62 To date and are the only informants who will proposiv aftend the convention; a possibility exists that possibility exists that may attend depending on circumstances at the Socialist Norters Party (SNP) Trotsky HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED School being conducted at Lountain Spring Camp, Washington, New Jersey. It is felt that the services of vould he of considerable value in furnishing information regarding the activities taking place at the YSA Convention. It is anticipathat the identities of delegates to this Convention will become known through other informants and sources connected with YSA and the SVP X It is not desired that Detroit submit the specific request to reinburse at this time. This request show be submitted at least two weeks prior to the Convention. 0CT 3 0 1961 = Chicago (100-36519) **b7D** 召 2 - New York 1100-133479 Class. & Ext. By SA7 MAC 1 - Detroit Reason-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2/2 Date of Review 13-17-9/ NOTE ON YELLOW: The YSA is the youth affiliate of the SWP which has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. been an informant since 3-15-61, is years of age and is paid per month for services and up to up to per month for expenses incurred. 1 - 144-9625 TPR: bmt Ingram. MAIL ROOM,



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Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum pertaining to the National Convention of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA). The source furnishing this information is

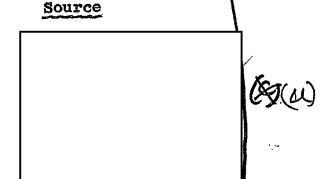
Sources used for documentation are:

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Socialist Workers' Party, Chicago Branch

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Careful consideration has been given to concealment of sources utilized in this memorandum and T symbols were used only where necessary.

This memorandum has been classified confidential because it contains information received from live informants and disclosure of this information could conceivably result in the compromise of these informants of continuing value. As soon as additional data is available concerning the plans for this Convention the Bureau and interested offices will be advised.



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YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE INTERNAL SECURITY - SWP

Reference is made to this Bureau's memorandum dated October 9, 1961, at Chicago, Illinois, captioned as above.

On October 26, 1961, a confidential source advised that at a meeting of the Chicago Branch, Socialist Workers Party (CBSWP), held on October 22, 1961, it was announced that previous information concerning the dates of the National Convention of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), to be held in Chicago, Illinois, was incorrect. It was stated that at the CBSWP meeting of October 1, 1961, it had been announced that the Convention would be held from December 12, 1961, through December 21, 1961, but that the correct dates are December 29, 1961, through January 1, 1962.

The source advised that as a result of this mix up on the dates it was announced difficulties were being experienced in arranging for a hall in which to hold the Convention and as of October 22, 1961, a site had not been secured.

The Socialist Workers? Party (SWP) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The following are characterizations of the CBSWP, the YSA, Chicago, the YSA (National) and the publication "Young Socialist."

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A source advised on May 1, 1961, that it was his understanding that the currently active Chicago Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was one of the founding branches of the SWP at a 1938 Chicago Trotskyist Convention, and it follows the aims and principles of the SWP which maintains national headquarters in New York City.

Members of the Chicago Branch serve on the SWP National Committee and per capita membership dues and a sustaining fund quota are sent by this branch on a monthly basis to SWP National Headquarters.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450





YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE - CHICAGO, Allo Known As Young Socialist Supporters, University Young Socialists

A source advised in late November, 1959, that the Young Socialist Alliance - Chicago (YSA - C) had its origin in a series of informal discussions held in Chicago prior to June, 1959, among individuals who were close to the Socialist Workers Party (SWP).

This group in June, 1959, obtained recognition from the "Young Socialist" Editorial Board of New York as the official Young Socialist Supporters (YSS) group in the Chicago area.

In September, 1959, the YSS group in Chicago formally adopted the name "Young Socialist Alliance - Chicago" in accordance with a 1959 National Youth Socialist Supporters Youth Plenum directive, which directive was designed to give a sense of national unity to the various clubs.

The YSA-C as of November, 1959, proclaimed itself to be a city-wide revolutionary youth organization designed to build Socialism in America and aimed toward youth on college campuses in the Chicago area and as being independent of all adult groupings.

A second source advised in April, 1960, that at the second National Conference of Young Socialist Supporters Club (YSSC) held April 15-17, 1960, at which the Chicago group was represented, a new national socialist youth organization, known as the Young Socialist Alliance, was formed with the Chicago group being an affiliate.

According to a third source in May, 1961, the YSA-C, also known as the University Young Socialists (UYS), was considered the youth group of the Chicago Branch SWP and affiliated with the national organization of the YSA in New York. YSA officers as of May, 1961, were current members or sympathizers of the Chicago SWP.

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Young Socialist Alliance



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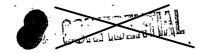
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The headquarters of the YSA are located at 10 East 23rd Street, New York City. (ω

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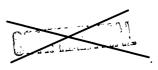




"YOUNG SOCIALIST"

The "Young Socialist" (YS) is a monthly publication self-described in the May, 1961, issue of this newspaper as the official organ of the Young Socialist Alliance.

The YS maintains headquarters at 10 East 23rd Street, New York City, and the mailing address is Post Office Box 471, Cooper Station, New York 3, New York.





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All sources utilized in this memorandum have furnished reliable information in the past. (γ

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SUBJECT:

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

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(00 NEW YORK)

Re Chicago airtels to Bureau dated 10/9/61, and 10/27/61.

Los Angeles Office has no informants available to attend the Young Socialist Alliance National Convention in Chicago in December, 1961.

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Advise the Bureau by return mail the nature of the cases demanding expeditious handling in order that a determination can be made as to whether the additional time required to submit a report in this matter is justified.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-43629)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-146608)

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY IS-SWP

DISRUPTION PROGRAM

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Re Chicago letter to Director, 11/6/61;
NY letter to Director, 11/8/61, captioned, "YSA; IS-SWP; Bureau letter to Chicago, 11/20/61.

To date information available to the NYO has not disclosed the exact location of the forthcoming YSA National Convention. It is noted that on 11/27/61, the National Chairman of the YSA remarked that he did not know at this time the exact location of the forthcoming convention. However, as set forth in re NY letter, the University of Chicago is being considered as a site for this convention which in all probability will be held in Chicago. The YSA feels that one of the halls at this University could be obtained during the Christmas vacation period, during which time this convention will be held.

Corceming suggestions set forth in re Chicago letter, the NYO feels that the definite location of this convention should be verified prior to proceeding with any disruptive tactic plans.

The history of the YSA, to date, has disclosed that this organization, unlike the CP youth, is extremely desirous of publicity in almost any form. The YSA has always sought newspaper publicity as one of its main aims in all its previous activities and events. Alongside the SWP, the YSA seeks to attract individuals from any sphere, particularly liberals and radicals, with the aim of recruiting to Trotskyist principles.

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It is felt that publicizing the forthcoming convention would not have a similar effect resulting from the previous publication of the Conference of National Marxist Youth referred to in re Chicago letter. The possibility exists that the YSA leaders would relish any opportunity to expound Trotskyist principles and denounce capitalism in a widely-read public newspaper.

In addition it is felt that any public attack on the YSA convention at this time might well serve to unite the current YSA factions in a common bond in defense of YSA principles. In view of the decisiveness of the current YSA internal split any action which might tend to heal or alleviate this split would definitely not be advantageous to the disruption program.

It is to be noted that the SWP recently ran candidates in State and local elections in various sections of the United States. Public appearances by these candidates, including television, and newspaper coverage, wherein they identified themselves with the SWP, did not cause any appreciable amount of adverse public reaction or indignation. It is therefore felt that the public disclosure of the YSA as the youth arm of the SWP at this time would not betantamount to exposing a Communist Party youth organization.

Recent information available to the NYO discloses that TIM WOHLFORTH, YSA National Chairman, whose YSA position and influence was recently reduced by the SWP to one of titular leadership, is planning to "wreck" the YSA at the forthcoming convention. WOHLFORTH, his wife, and several other national leading YSA members within the WOHLFORTH faction, will automatically be leaving the YSA due to age at this convention and aspire to take with them as many of the remaining YSA members as can be recruited to this faction.

For the reasons set forth above the NYO does not feel that an attack of the YSA convention at this time would be an effective disruptive tactic.

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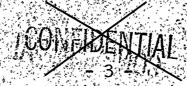
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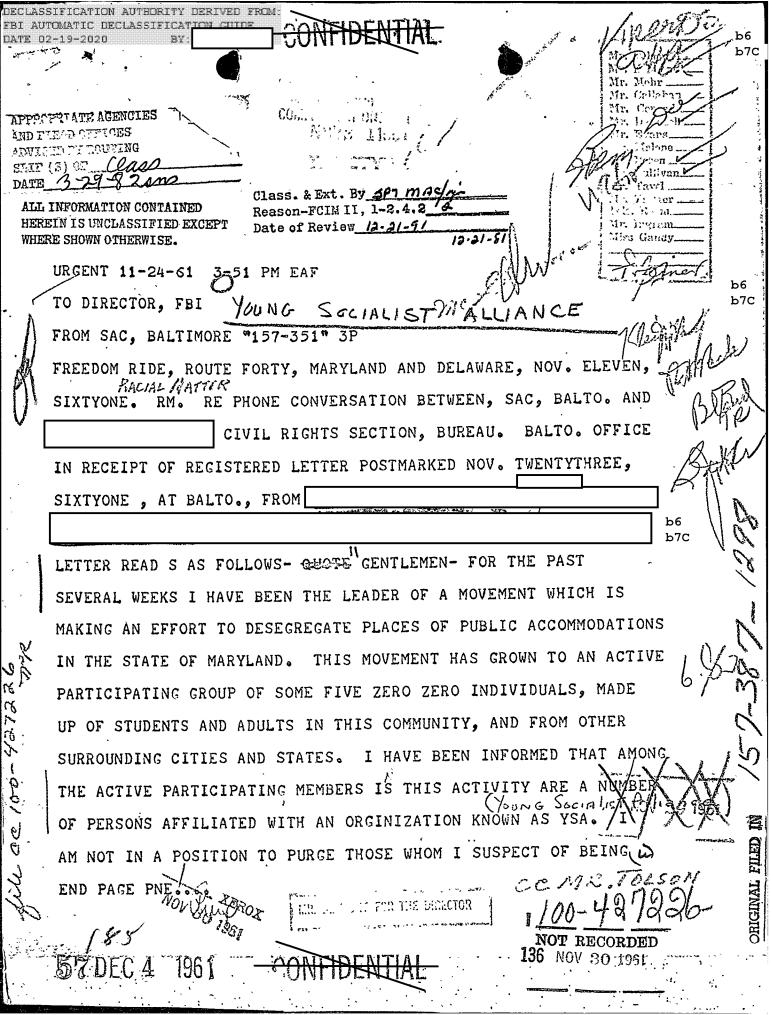
Any information of ideas in the possession of the Chicago Office which would overcome or negate the above objections will be welcomed by the NYO.

Chicago is requested to advise if any approach has been made at the University of Chicago by YSA representatives concerning the above convention.

The NYO is currently considering possible SWP disruptive tactics, aside from the above; through its youth, the YSA.

The Bureau will immediately be afforded any observations and suggestions which might concretely effect the SWP in this regard.





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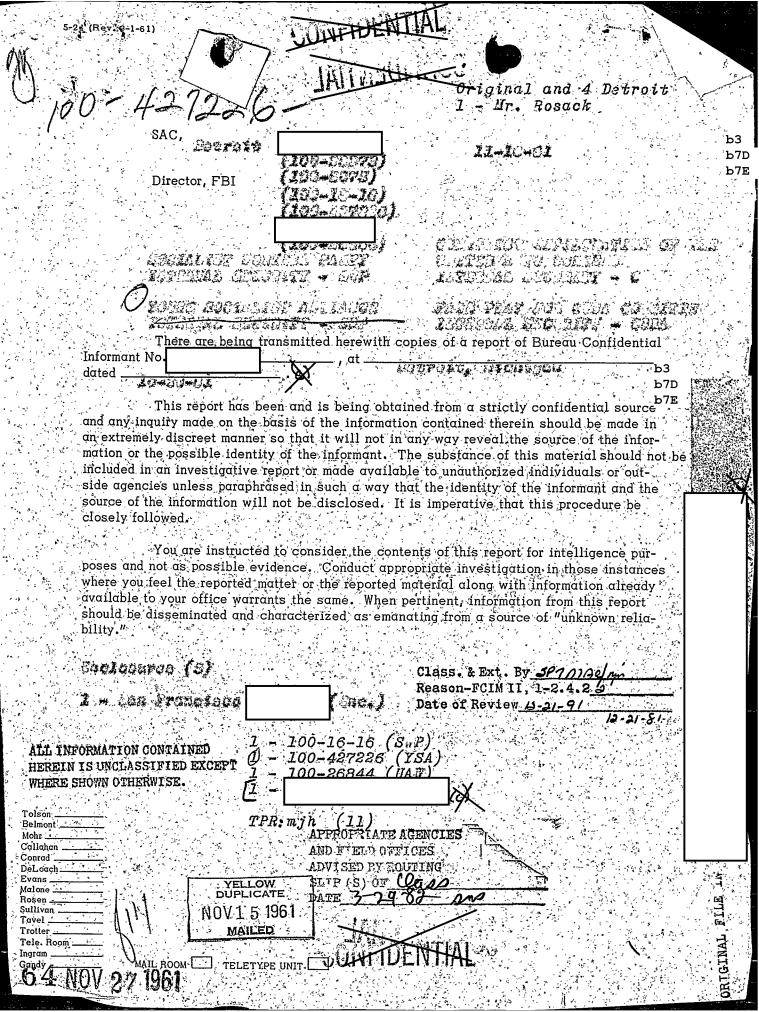
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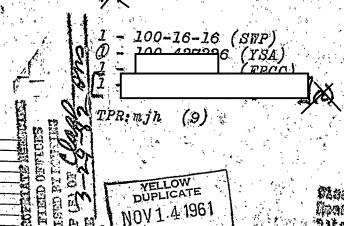
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It may be recalled that an excellent counterintelligence to some necessary was accomplished when the Attorney General, quoting the Director, emounced a December 33, 1930 - January 3, 1961 Conference to form a National Markist Youth organization at Chicago.

It is felt that the public source esterial (May, 1951 issue "Young Cocialist"), see first two paragraphs of characteriza-tion of National YEA, would be sufficient to establish the YEA as a SWP youth organization. Novever, it is possible that the Bureau or the New York Division would have better public source entorial to compat this relationship. It is requested that the Burens and the New York Division Curnish any suggestions held in this respect.

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The loregoing suggestions have been treated in general terms innequel as at the prosent time the plans of the December YSA Conference have not been collected. If the Eurona concurs with the plays approach, detailed recommendations will be cubmitted in the immediate future. It is requested that the New York Division submit comments regarding the above approach and available public source miterial re YSA connection with the EMP.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-427226)

November 13, 1961

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SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20585)

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Re Bureau letter dated November 9, 1961.

Relet requested Baltimore to submit the cases demanding expeditious handling.

Agent to whom above-captioned case is assigned was required to expeditiously handle the following cases:

> GEORGE MEYERS IS - C ISA OF 1950 Bufile 100-206800

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Report on captioned organization will be submitted to the Bureau by November 17, 1961.

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